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Anthony Gallegos
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Re: Revisions to the list of disturbed mine sites

Dear Tony,

We would like to request that two mine sites be released to from further reclamation requirements. They are B-14 and R-3.

B-14 is a pre-law site. It was last mined in 1949. The only activity at that site since has been the maintenance to a pump in the shaft. This involved driving a drill rig overland about 50 feet from the access road to I-24 about once every 5 years as necessary to maintain the pump and replacing the boards over the shaft as needed to keep the area safe. This has resulted in no new surface disturbance. The pump has been removed and is no longer needed.

R-3 is a mine last mined in 1978. It has been reclaimed and was ready for release. However, recently a portion of the site (0.25-acre) was leased to UBET Cellular for an antennae site. Since this not a mining related activity, it should not be subject to the reclamation law. Our contract with UBET Cellular requires them to reclaim the site when they are finished.

Lynn Kunzler inspected both sites during his inspection on May 24, 2000. He also released R-1 and LE-4. He released all but 0.5 acre at LE-19 which need reseeding. R-2 and R-4 could be released as soon as the shafts are capped.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Neldon Kunz", written over a horizontal line.

Neldon Kunz
Mine Supt.

Cc: EW, LJ

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